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Response To Office Action

Dear Sir:

This Response to Office Action is being submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed September 5, 2003 for the above-referenced patent application. A response to the Office Action was initially due on or before December 5, 2003, and thus, a Request For Extension Of Time and the requisite fee are enclosed herewith. Therefore, this Response is being timely filed.

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2155Invention: METHOD, SYSTEM AND PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR MANAGING PROCESSING GROUPS OF A
DISTRIBUTED COMPUTING ENVIRONMENTTO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	49 -	48 =	1	x \$18.00	\$18.00
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